

COLMA CITIZENS
DISCUSS PROBLEMS
AT MASS MEETING

to the energetic work of the
ers of the Colma Volunteer Fire
ment and enterprising citizens
lma, a very important mass
g was held in the beautiful
arters of the fire department
Jefferson Hall last Monday

es T. Casey presided over the
ing. The object of the meeting
ed by the presiding officer was
uss ways and means by which
e adequate supply of water
be obtained for the use of the
partment in case of fires. At
t the efforts of the firemen are
ineffectual on account of the
f a better supply. They do
work with their chemicals in
property when they reach the
of the blaze in time, but when
made great headway, they find
elves helpless on account of the
water.

as thought that possibly by the
on of a water district that
might be obtained to pay for
aying of mains throughout the
district.

nty Surveyor Kneese, who was
t, being called upon, said that
d considerable experience with
districts and sanitary districts
ferent parts of the county, and
he had found that making im-
ments under such organizations
very costly, sometimes being
as much as when the same im-
ments were put in under the
n of a regular municipality.

ned that bond buyers are not
to invest their money in dis-
t this or that purpose, but
willing to invest in the bonds
municipality. Surveyor Kneese
many examples to make this
al side of the question very
to the large number of citi-
who were present. Concluding,
thought it wiser by far for the
le of Colma to incorporate as a
rate municipality, or to annex
selves to Daly City or Lawndale.

merous other persons spoke on
subject, and before the close of
meeting the idea of doing some-
right away was in the minds of
resent.

ne question of whether Colma
be sewer or not was brought
and answered by Surveyor Kneese
it could be provided with sewers
out any great expense, and that
outlet would be through the
ng Valley tunnel to the Pacific

of the amusing incidents con-
d with the meeting was that
e speakers were talking about
need of more water, the rain
to fall in torrents, and some
is humorous enough to remark:
r has come, and there is no
to worry."

thy Scampini gave quite a
ny talk on the legal phases of
questions involved.

J. Savage was called upon and
he firemen some encouragement
counting what they had already
without any legal taxation—
aps the most that has ever been
in this county without official
r. Having done so much, they
not hesitate to try to do more,
they tried hard enough, there
no doubt that they could get
hing they wanted, and could ac-
plish the idea that was present
eir minds, of making Colma what
ould be, a prominent municipality
San Mateo county.

committee of taxpayers was ap-
ted by Chairman James T. Casey
et with a committee of the fire
ment to formulate plans to go
and do something right away.
ere is every reason to expect
at this work will be carried on to
successful termination.

ASSOCIATED FIREMEN
MEET AT SAN BRUNO

An interesting meeting of the As-
ated Firemen of San Mateo Coun-
was held at San Bruno last Tues-
there being a large attendance
the firemen of the county, members
the association and interested in
work being performed by this
ciation. Following the meeting,
which a number of matters of in-
t to the firemen of the county
discussed, a banquet was served
the San Bruno firemen to the
Club, and a number of interesting
cesses were made.

Burlingame Has Christmas Party
More than 1,000 children received
ys, candy and fruit at the big com-
unity Christmas party staged under
e supervision of the Burlingame
merican Legion at Burlingame last
unday night. About 3,000 grown-
also attended the party, which
tered about a huge fir tree on the
ram property at Primrose and
lingame avenue.

INSTALL OFFICERS
FOR COMING YEAR

Last Monday evening, before one
of the largest crowds of members and
visitors ever assembled in the hall,
the newly elected officers of Crocker
Chapter No. 382, Order of the Eastern
Star, were formally installed, the host
for the occasion being Alfred L.
Stockton, Junior Past Patron. The
installing officers were: Gertrude
Parker, retiring Worthy Matron;
George Riddell, retiring Worthy Pa-
tron; Janet Young Turner, Junior
Past Matron, installing Marshal;
Angus Campbell, Past Patron, install-
ing Chaplain; Stella Jensen, Past
Matron, honorary installing Marshal.
The newly installed officers are:
Isabella Robertson, Worthy Matron;
Kenneth MacLean, Worthy Patron;
Florence Stockton, Associate Matron;
Vera MacDonald, Secretary; Jeanette
Fischer, Treasurer; Alma Parkison,
Conductress; Louise Bertha Aitchison,
Associate Conductress; Robert Hall
Turner, Chaplain; Mary Murray,
Warder; Mary Young Jaques, Senti-
nel; Gertrude Parker, Marshal; Emily
MacLean, Adah; Emily V. Grover,
Ruth; Linda May England, Esther;
Elizabeth MacLean, Martha; Louise
Bartell, Electa.

During the evening soprano solos
were rendered by Mrs. A. W. Mc-
Curdy, while Mr. David G. Will fa-
vored the large audience with several
baritone solos. Mrs. Elizabeth Jensen
presiding at the piano.

The reception committee, which did
everything in its power to see that
the large crowd was made comfort-
able, consisted of Margaret Mary
Archer, Alice Elmers, Ada Van Valk-
enberg, Beatrice Batz, Julia E. Samp-
son, Ernestine Huber, Sophie Root,
Catherine Neiderhaus, Lucille Nelson,
Julia Allen, George E. Archer, E. A.
Weisenburger, David Bartell, John O.
Samuelson, John Carnegie, Jr., Clyde
Decker, Thomas Heutt, John Emer-
son, George Henry, William Jaques.

**CELEBRATE NINETEENTH
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

A surprise party was given to Mr.
and Mrs. P. Ross, on December 15,
in honor of the nineteenth anniversary
of their wedding, the party being
planned by a number of their friends.
Those present were: Mr. and Mrs.
Green, Dora Sherman, Frank Mc-
Laughlin, Victoria Bronson, Milce
Barbera, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Guinio,
Mr. and Mrs. Gold, Lola Followell,
Adele Reid, Tony Ciranto, Sammy
Brinbann, Gus Volenza, Janet Volenza,
Irene Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Jack
Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Doyle, Mr.
and Mrs. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. L.
Ross, Mrs. Schultz, Miss Mildred
Ross, Mr. and Mrs. P. Ross.

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN
SELECT NEW OFFICERS

At the last regular meeting of
Company No. 4, Daly City Volunteer
Fire Department, an election of offi-
cers for the ensuing term was held.
The following officers were selected:
Lieutenant Fonseca, Captain; Andrew
Chesney, Lieutenant; Philip Ross,
Fire Marshal (re-elected); M. Jordan,
Engineer (re-elected); F. Venste-
maker, Secretary (re-elected); Geo.
Augustien, Fire Commissioner (re-
elected.)

GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The program of Wednesday even-
ing at Grace Presbyterian church
was one of the best for a long time.
The little folks acquitted themselves
admirably. The solo by Mrs. Parw
was exceptionally impressive. The
play at the close was so well rendered
that many thought it should be re-
peated. And of course Santa Claus
made the real hit of the evening with
the little ones at the close of the
entertainment.

The tree for the Christmas service
was kindly donated by the Masonic
Lodge of Daly City, and a fine new
stove for the auditorium was donated
by our genial Superintendent William
Rae. For these gifts they have the
thanks of the members of the church.

The closing sermon of the year
will be in keeping with the season.
Theme: "Have We Twelve Baskets-
full Left?" Come and close the
year's Sabbaths in the house and
worship of God. Christian Endeavor
at 7 o'clock.

SELECTION OF AIRPORT
SITE AGAIN DELAYED

Selection of a San Francisco air-
port site has been postponed by the
supervisors of that city until January
3, when a special committee will re-
port its recommendations as to which
is the best location offered. Mean-
time the committee will visit proffered
sites at Millbrae, San Mateo, Redwood
City and in Alameda county, to get
first-hand information on what is the
best location for San Francisco's air-
field.

He Rules the Kingdom
of Heart's Delight



COMMUNITY SUICIDE

One of the strangest phenomena witnessed in most
towns and small cities is the apparent eagerness with
which many otherwise good citizens contribute to the
tendency to commit community suicide.

These citizens will often show uncommon zeal in
boosting any movement to obtain civic improvements, to
promote the location of new industries, to secure better
educational facilities, and so on. Yet many of these same
proud boosters will deliberately engage in a practice which
nullifies all their otherwise laudable efforts—and then
wonder why their town doesn't go ahead.

We refer to the suicidal habit of buying away from
home—the habit of neglecting to patronize home in-
stitutions, including the local newspaper.

The enormous growth of the mail order habit in
recent years is largely responsible for the failure of many
communities to make the progress which their natural
advantages should make possible.

The money that ought to be kept at home for the
expansion of local trade and industry is sent away to
distant and nearby cities, never to return.

This life-blood of prosperity is permitted to ebb
away, through the indifference or thoughtlessness of the
very persons who should set an example of local pride
and loyalty.

A trifling saving here and there, usually more im-
aginary than real, is sufficient to cause the average citizen
to forget his duty to his community and himself, which if
performed would mean more in the direction of local
prosperity than all his other boosting efforts put together.

Why boost in one direction while committing com-
munity suicide in another?

EXAMINATIONS FOR NAVAL
ACADEMY CANDIDATES

Congressman A. M. Free of this
district has given notice that he has
requested the United States Civil
Service Commission to conduct ex-
aminations at San Jose and Santa
Barbara, California, for applicants
for appointment to the United
States Naval Academy at Annapolis.
These examinations will be held at
the places mentioned at the post office
building, on January 8, 1927, at 9
o'clock a. m. Any boy, a resident of
the Eighth Congressional district,
between the ages of 16 and 20 years,
can take this examination and thus
become eligible for appointment to
the academy. Any boy desiring to
take this examination should notify
Congressman Free at Room 329, House
Office Building, Washington, D. C.

TRUCK DRIVER HAS CLOSE
CALL IN CROSSING CRASH

George Faulstick, aged 19, of North
Fair Oaks, miraculously escaped
death when his milk truck was struck
by a passenger train at Redwood
City. The truck was thrown to the
side of the tracks by the train and
Faulstick alighted on the cowcatcher.
He clung to the steel braces with a
death grip and tenaciously hung on.
In this manner he was carried four
blocks before the crew could bring
the speeding train to a stop, when
the youth was found to be unconscious
but still clutching to the braces.

MOTHER AND SON ARE
BURIED ON SAME DAY

A 71-year-old mother and her son,
aged 49, were buried side by side
in Holy Cross cemetery last Monday
morning, following a double funeral
service at the church of the Epiphany
in San Francisco. They were Mrs.
Mary Sweeney and her son, John J.
Sweeney, former shortstop with the
San Francisco club of the Pacific
Coast baseball league. Sweeney died
suddenly of heart disease on Decem-
ber 16. Six hours later his mother
passed away from shock, shortly after
she had learned of his death. The
son was the first shortstop for the
San Francisco Seals and played for a
number of years in professional base-
ball, retiring to go into business in
1905.

Will Pay Share of Map Cost

The board of trustees of Burling-
ame have voted that city's share of
the cost of the proposed topographical
map of San Mateo and San Francisco
counties. Burlingame's quota toward
the project is \$200, as part of the
\$1,000 to be raised by the Chambers
of Commerce in this county.

Charged With Stealing Auto

Harold Hansen, who was arrested
at Los Alamos on a grand larceny
charge, has been brought back to
Redwood City by Deputy Sheriff P.
J. Larrecoue. Hansen is charged with
having stolen a car in Daly

BOARD OPPOSES
ANNEXATION PLAN

That San Mateo county supervisors
are unalterably opposed to any an-
nexation of San Mateo county terri-
tory by the city of Palo Alto, and
both Assemblyman-elect Harry F.
Parker, of San Mateo, and State Sen-
ator M. B. Johnson, of Montara, will
oppose the passage of the Spalding
bill when the measure comes before
the next session of the legislature,
was made evident at a meeting of the
county board of supervisors in Red-
wood City last Monday.

On the motion of Supervisor Manuel
Francis, Half Moon Bay, County
Clerk Elizabeth Kneese was instructed
to inform county representatives in
the legislature of the sentiment of
the board. Senator Johnson and As-
semblyman Parkman, who were in
attendance at the meeting, assured
the supervisors that the entire co-
operation of the San Mateo county
delegation could be counted on for
the best interests of the county when
the proposed Spalding bill is presented
at Sacramento next year.

The bill, which provides that cities
of California may annex areas across
county lines, is said to be a Palo
Alto measure, aimed at the eventual
annexation of Menlo Park, Runny-
mede and Ravenswood, all communi-
ties of San Mateo county. The people
of Menlo Park are opposed to the
passage of the bill, it has been stated
by the Menlo Park Chamber of Com-
merce. Other communities in the
North Palo Alto district are said to
be in favor of a merger with the
college city.

Supervisor Thomas Hickey, South
San Francisco, suggested that the
clerk of the board write a letter of
appreciation to Assemblyman Park-
man and Senator Johnson for their
assurance of support against the im-
pending legislation.

Residents of Menlo Park made a
formal protest to the board over the
proposed establishment of a riding
academy and the keeping of horses
on a 75-foot lot in what is declared
to be one of the principal residential
districts of Menlo Park. Stables are
already being erected for the enter-
prise, to be known as the T. N. T.
Riding School, adjoining the T. N. T.
dance hall and oil service station at
Menlo Park, it was stated in the pro-
test, which was signed by eighty re-
sidents of the district. County Clerk
Kneese was instructed to notify the
riding school proprietors that any
stables erected at the spot would be
declared a nuisance.

Maps of two new realty subdivisions
at Belmont were accepted and filed
by the board.

SAN FRANCISCO IN LINE FOR
NEW FEDERAL BUILDINGS

San Francisco is one of the six
cities outside of Washington provided
for by the \$150,000,000 plan for new
federal buildings, San Francisco being
allocated \$4,000,000; New York, \$15,-
000,000; Chicago, \$12,000,000; Phila-
delphia, \$6,000,000; St. Louis, \$5,000,-
000, and Louisville, \$3,000,000.

In allocating new post office build-
ings, the treasury department is con-
sidering only cities that have annual
postal receipts of \$20,000 or more,
only 2,100 towns being in this class,
and in 1,200 of them the buildings
need enlargement. It is estimated
that not more than two hundred build-
ings all told can be constructed under
the appropriation.

San Francisco's program includes
a new federal building costing \$2,-
400,000, another post office substation
costing \$1,350,000, and a marine hospi-
tal. The federal building is to be
an office to house those government
activities now paying rent in privately
owned quarters.

It is also proposed to sell the old
treasury at Sansome and Pine
streets to obtain money for a site
for the new office building.

DREDGE MAKES RECORD
TIME ON NEW PORT

Hercules, the big clamshell dredge
at Port San Francisco, between Bel-
mont and San Carlos, on the prop-
erty of the San Francisco Bay Termi-
nals Company, is making an unusual
record. By Christmas day it will
have completed its work in just half
the time that was estimated, and far
ahead of the work of its levee build-
ing dredge. This is due to the ground
being much easier to handle than
anticipated, it is said.

It was estimated that seventy-two
days would be required to make the
pilot cut, 80 feet wide, 10 feet deep
and about 10,000 feet long, for the
floating of a big hydraulic suction
dredge. With the finishing of the
work, the clamshell will be removed
and as soon as the levee work has
been completed by the drag line ma-
chines, an hydraulic dredge will be
floated in to complete the channel,
slips and turning basins. At the
present rate of progress this should
be place within the next sixty days.

LOCAL NURSE HAS
NARROW ESCAPE
IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Mrs. Emily Lohr, the school nurse,
met with an accident last Saturday
that might have proved more dis-
astrous than it did. She was driving
her Ford, in which was a lady and
a sick child she was taking to the
Community hospital, and when in the
neighborhood of the Homestead, just
south of San Mateo, the machine
skidded on the wet highway and
overturned with great force, demolish-
ing the machine to such an extent
that the insurance company decided
it would be cheaper for them to sup-
ply a new machine, which they have
done.

Fortunately Mrs. Lohr was only
slightly injured, and the lady and her
sick child escaped without injury, ex-
cept for a severe shaking up.

UNNECESSARY FIGHT
OVER CONTRACT

After a two year court fight to
have the chairman of the board of
supervisors of San Mateo county sign
a \$211,000 paving contract in Lomita
Park, the Municipal Paving Company
has dropped the suit after the belated
discovery that the contract had been
signed at the time it was awarded.
In its campaign to have the contract
signed, the paving company carried
the suit to the State Supreme Court,
where the supervisors, after much
deliberation, acquiesced to the wishes
of the paving company and ordered
the present chairman, John MacBain,
to sign the contract. It was then dis-
covered that the contract had already
been signed by the former chairman,
Dr. C. V. Thompson. The dispute
over the contract had its inception
when the validity of the manner in
which the contract was awarded was
attacked.

PROTEST AGAINST MAKING
CITIZENS OF CERTAIN HINDUS

Protesting to Congress against the
proposal to pass legislation at this
session at Washington to confer
American citizenship upon certain
Hindus who were granted naturaliza-
tion prior to 1923 and whose natural-
ization certificates are to be can-
celled in accordance with a recent
Supreme Court decision, the Cali-
fornia joint immigration committee
has despatched a demand to Senator
Hiram W. Johnson, chairman of the
Senate immigration committee, that
the contemplated action be not taken.

The members of the joint commis-
sion are former Senator James D.
Phelan, Attorney-General U. S. Webb,
Edward J. Lynch, past grand presi-
dent of the Native Sons, V. S. Mc-
Clatchy, Paul Scharrenberg, secretary-
treasurer California State Federation
of Labor, George R. Harrison, Master
State Grange, and James K. Fish,
state adjutant of the American Leg-
ion.

The committee declares that the
proposed legislation would result in
reopening the Japanese citizenship
situation created in the Hawaiian Is-
lands, and that great harm will re-
sult.

"Congress can not afford, in face
of the facts, to admit these Japanese
to citizenship; and yet to refuse to
do so while admitting Hindus under
somewhat similar conditions would be
an act of discrimination which would
be bitterly resented by Japan," the
statement declares.

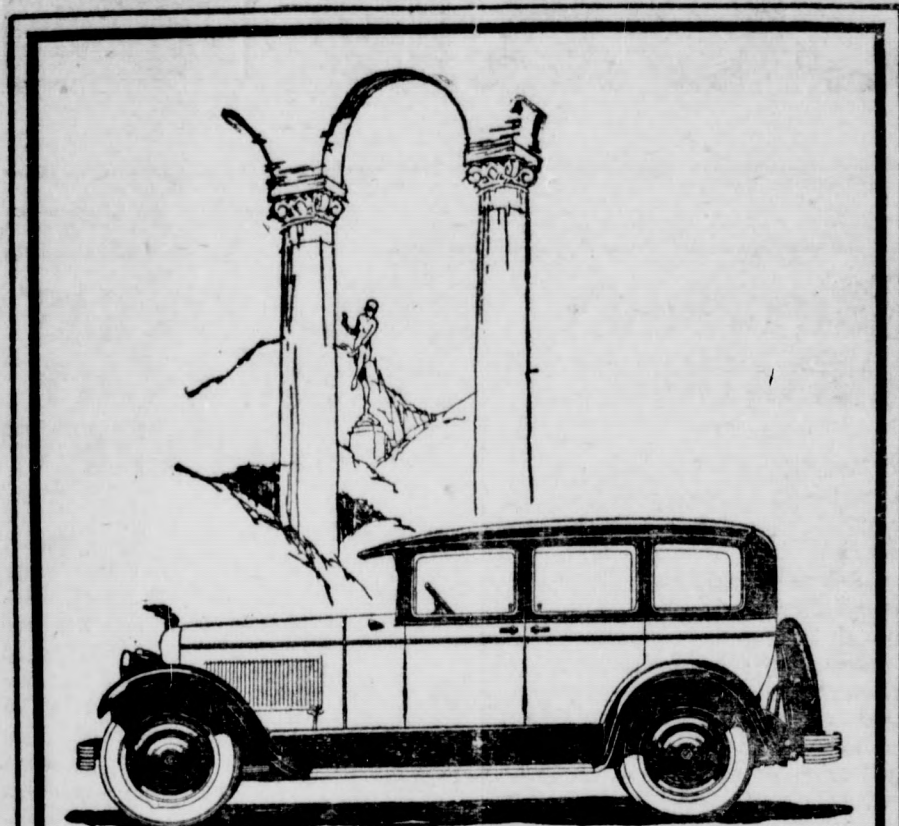
NEW CATHOLIC PARISH IS
ORGANIZED IN BURLINGAME

Announcement is made of the pur-
chase of the North Burlingame Guild
hall and adjoining property by Arch-
bishop Edward Hanna in the interests
of the Catholic church. The structure
is to be renovated and made into a
church, and a new parish will be
formed. Future plans include the
building of a splendid new church
structure on the site, to be known as
the Church of the Holy Angel. It is
understood Father Thomas of San
Francisco is to be the pastor.

Purchase of the structure has been
made, it is said, to enable Catholics
living in the north end of Burling-
ame to attend services at a church
near their homes.

NEW REPORTER NAMED
FOR JUDGE BUCK'S COURT

William H. Girvin, for many years
court reporter for Judge Hunt of San
Francisco, will take over the duties
January 3, of Roy Mingins, court re-
porter for San Mateo county for the
past five years. Mingins, who has
become well known in county judicial
circles, will become court reporter
for Superior Judge James Conlan,
San Francisco. Girvin has been as-
sociated with Mingins in the county
on several occasions when court work
was heavy and called for an as-
sistant.



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U. S. FAR AHEAD OF REST OF WORLD IN TELEPHONES

The contrast between the use of the telephone in the United States and in the principal countries of Europe is shown by the fact that the United States had at the latest date for which international figures are available, 14.2 telephones per every hundred inhabitants, while Great Britain and Northern Ireland had but 2.8 telephones per hundred persons, Germany 3.9, and France only 1.7. Italy has but .4, Hungary just 1, Belgium 1.8, Austria 2.2, and The Netherlands 2.8.

Only Norway, Sweden and Denmark show figures higher than the countries in Central Europe, and their figures are likewise far below those of the United States. Denmark leads with 9 telephones per hundred inhabitants, while Sweden has 6.9 and Norway 6.1.

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URGES MONOPOLY FOR THE STATE FUND

The outstanding feature of the annual report of the Industrial Accident Commission, recently filed with Governor Richardson, is the recommendation by the commission that the State Compensation Insurance Fund be given a monopoly in writing workmen's compensation insurance in California. Due to legislative inhibitions, the commission says, we have reached an impasse in workmen's compensation legislation, and the only hope for future progress lies in an exclusive state Fund, which will, it is declared, "turn downward the present upward trend of compensation insurance rates, and, at the same time, by reason of the elimination of the waste that is characteristic of the competitive insurance-selling system, produce such additional revenues as may be needful to provide substantial additional benefits to both employer and employee."

"The accomplishments of the Fund during the twelve years of its existence have been such as to inspire the absolute confidence of the insuring public. The Fund has more than justified its existence. Despite its restriction to a competitive field, it has been more than self supporting. It has written insurance at competitive rates and has returned to its policy holders refunds that have, for several years, averaged 30 per cent of the premiums originally paid. These refunds aggregate over \$11,000,000. The Fund has paid into the accident prevention fund a total of \$929,986.50, such payments being in lieu of, and comparable to, tax payments made annually to the state by commercial insurance carriers. In addition it has built up a reserve fund for the possible 'rainy day' in excess of over \$2,000,000. In view of the splendid record, the commission feels that it is entirely reasonable to propose that the Fund be stripped of its competitive chains and that it be given a monopoly of workmen's compensation coverage in this state."

Six states now have monopolistic state funds—Washington, Oregon, Nevada, Wyoming, North Dakota and Ohio. The commission points to the fact that the California state Fund has been, from its inception, partly monopolistic in that all the political subdivisions of the state are required to carry their compensation insurance with the state, or self insured, and declares that it is, therefore, only a short step to a completely monopolistic state Fund—"the next logical, forward step toward the ultimate, preordained destiny of the Fund."

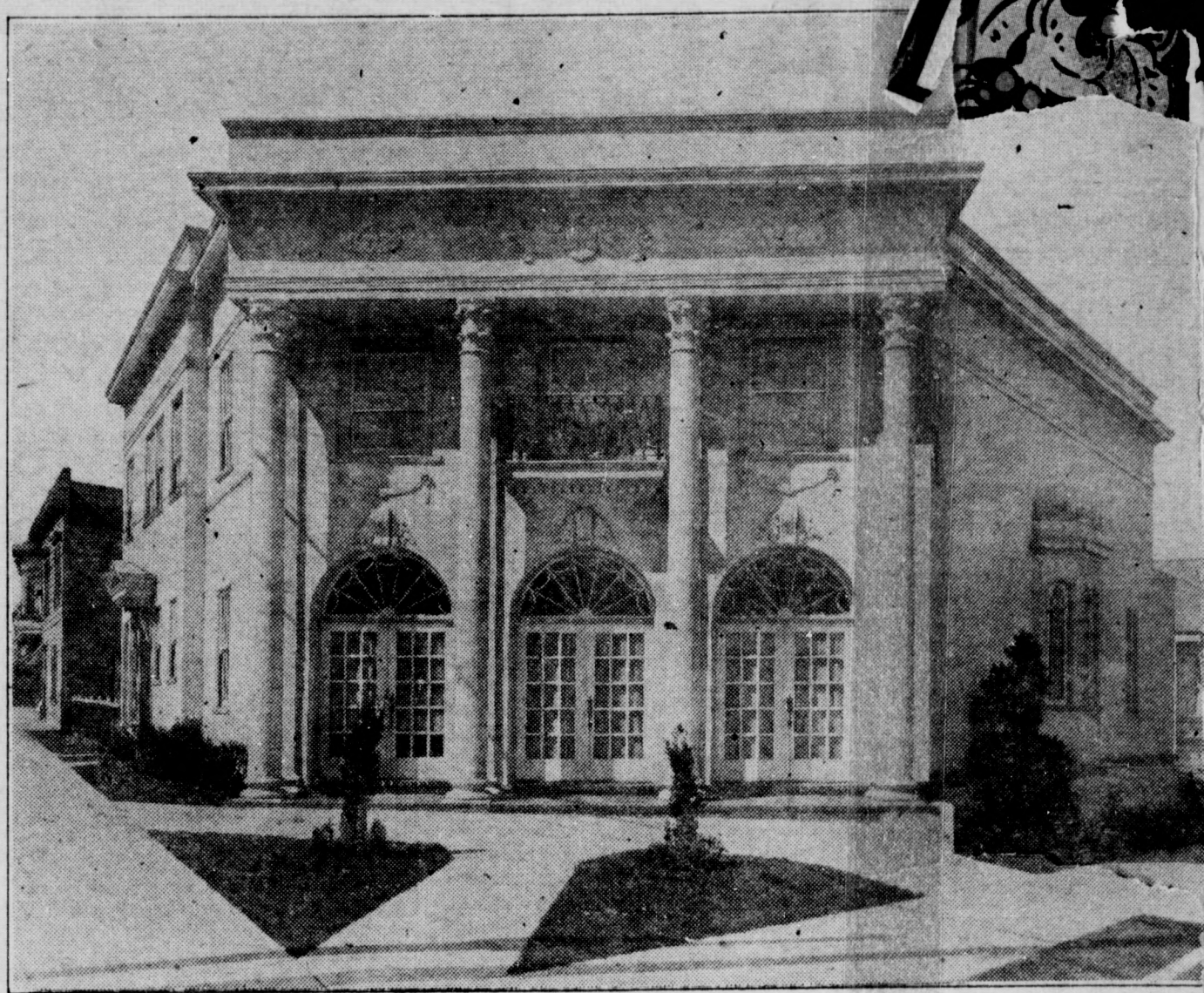
The report declares it to be the opinion of the commission that, writing 100 per cent of the compensation insurance of the state, the Fund "will be in a position to place California in the front rank of all the states in the matter of providing the victims of industry with remedial and restorative relief, with lowered cost to employers." Also that the commission would be in a position to more effectively "combat the rising tide of industrial injuries." This result would flow, the commission says, from "the substitution, in all cases, of inspections designed to make industry safe for employment, under full state authority and compulsion, for the thousands of inspections now being made primarily for rate-making, premium-reducing purposes."

The concluding paragraph of the report reads as follows: "The members of the Industrial Accident Commission are in complete agreement with the great majority of our citizens who hold that, under ordinary conditions, the state should not enter into competition with private enterprise, that such activity should only be encouraged when it shall become apparent that the state can perform a service that cannot be performed at all, or with only meagerly comparable results, by private enterprise, and then only when some social, industrial or public need of paramount importance demands it. It was such a need that prompted the state to enact the Workmen's Compensation Act, with the provision for the state compensation insurance fund. To suggest, therefore, that the Fund be given a monopoly in writing workmen's compensation insurance in California is merely to propose that the state proceed, in a orderly, business-like way, to the consummation of this great humanitarian activity."

AIRPLANE FOREST PATROL ENDS SUCCESSFUL SEASON

The United States forest service airplane patrol on the Pacific Coast recently completed a most successful season with 483 flights totaling 1,002 hours of flying time without a major accident, according to report of District Forester S. B. Show, chief of the California district, with headquarters in San Francisco.

Eight planes loaned the forest service by the air service of the United States army were stationed at Glendale and Sacramento, California; Eugene, Oregon; and Seattle and Spokane, Washington, for patrol service over federal, state and private forest lands within these and adjacent states. Several hundred fires were discovered by the airplane observers, but only twenty-five of these were first reports, or fires reported to the control agencies ahead of regular reports received from lookouts and other detectors.



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SIDELIGHTS

By Marcy B. Darnall

W. B. Rhea, of Parrish, Alabama, has given up keeping bees for a peculiar reason. He can't keep them sober. He declares that his bees got the habit of sucking mash thrown out by moonshiners, which kept them drunk and caused them to neglect their work. He refuses to have a lot of drunken bees about the place.

From a survey of 25,000 high school students in five states, Montville Flowers, of Pasadena, found those among them who desire to enter almost every kind of profession or occupation, except that they did not want to be farmers or ministers.

The next issue of New York City's social register omits the names of the James A. Stillmans, Kip Rhinelanders and Mrs. Irving Berlin, who was formerly Ellin Mackay. The Stillmans and Rhinelanders were mixed up in unsavory scandals, while Mrs. Berlin's only offense was that of marrying American's most popular song writ'r, who happened to be a Jew of humble origin.

An Armenian shoemaker, named Manghikian, who as executioner in the Russian armies had decapitated 364 condemned victims, rounded out his gruesome record in Paris the other day by severing his wife's head from her body with one deft swing of his sword. Now it is probable that the guillotine will end Manghikian's bloody career with a taste of his own sharp medicine.

Frankish students elected Maudine, prize cow at the Ohio State University, as queen of the home-coming ball, over ten popular co-eds. Then they made preparations to crown the bovine queen in the ballroom, but the authorities said: "Undignified; ridiculous. No."

An English author's new book about the Prince of Wales is being criticised as "too sugary." One critic declares that a man as perfect as

the book describes never existed and never will, adding that it pictures the prince "without a single redeeming sin."

At 16 years of age, Marcus Loew, a New York newsboy, was ambitious to be a head waiter and started toward that goal by getting a job in a restaurant as a dishwasher. He dropped a big tray full of dishes and got fired. That was many years ago. Now he is the multi-millionaire president of about 100 theatrical enterprises, and says breaking those dishes changed the course of his whole life.

FEARFUL FIRE RECORD IN CALIFORNIA FORESTS

A total of 1,662 fires which burned over 584,601 acres and cost \$565,136 to suppress, is, in brief, the 1926 fire record for the national forests of California, according to figures released by S. B. Show, chief of the California district, United States forest service.

Of the total of 1,662 fires that occurred in and adjacent to the federal forests, 1,138, or 68 per cent, were due to human carelessness—as compared with 537 out of a total of 1,915 fires in 1925. Smokers led the list, with 427 fires, with incendiaries 178, railroads 170, campers 137, lumbering operations 52, brush burners 50, and miscellaneous causes 124. Lightning is credited with having started 524 fires.

The total area of government timber and brush land burned over was 215,508 acres, while 369,094 acres of private lands within and adjacent to the national forests were swept by flames. The total cost to the forest service of fire suppression was \$565,136, or more than double the expenditures made for like purposes in 1925.

Fires in the national forests this year killed 296,000,000 feet of federal-owned timber, besides large amounts of young growth, destroyed 750,000 feet of cut logs, and occasioned damage to logging equipment, mills and improvements amounting to \$216,000—making a total loss, based on conservative estimates, amounting to nearly one million dollars, of which more than three-quarters of a million dollars were timber losses. Figures on additional losses of forage, wild life, water conservation and recreational resources are not available.

THE GREAT LABOR-SAVER

In summing up the growth of the electric industry, Frank W. Smith, vice-president of the United Electric Light and Power Company of New York, said that at the recent electrical exposition held in that city, 20,000 different electrical devices and appliances for the use of mankind, were displayed. They represented the output of a seven billion dollar industry, which employs in all its branches probably a million people. Fifty years ago none of these devices were in use.

Thomas A. Edison has seen the growth of this industry from the beginning, and has been largely responsible for the enviable position of the United States from the standpoint of universal use of electricity.

In commenting on the variety of electrical articles, Mr. Smith said: "In all these displays—I do not believe there is a single exception—there is but one aim, to serve mankind."

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SHOULD BE TRULY GRATEFUL

Religious prosperity of America has not been a small group of powerful industrial magnates scattered in a golden shower far and wide, but in all classes—and to such an extent that to all in the United States seems to the nation.

Almost four times as many automobiles in the States as in all other parts of the world put the curve of wages has enabled the American to his standard of living. He can now act as a quarter as much again with his weekly pay as before the war.

On every house are mute markers of American labor. Never before were even luxuries—so widely diffused among

for technical improvement, or efficiency, the pioneering spirit of America has been transplanted, among other ways, by the application of power to a degree never before known in

Goods aggregating \$250,000,000 were sold during the week of December, the largest volume of any year. Prices also were the highest, and not enough to fill the demand.

Of this new buying was with money newly flowing the prosperity of the country. It comes from the stratum of society and industry; it defies class, wages, interest, savings, profits—it is the net result of almost universal prosperity.

New year promises to come in with no outstanding save its widespread prosperity. But that alone is not notable in American history.

MUSCLE SHOALS FIGHT

Final of the Muscle Shoals fight in Congress was a few days by the absence of Senator Deneen, in the funeral of his late colleague, Senator of Illinois.

Senator Deneen, as chairman of the joint committee on bids for Muscle Shoals last spring, will announce the proposal of the Alabama Power and associates, whose bid was approved by four members. One of the members favored the Cyanide Company's proposal, while the sixth

majority report favoring the power companies' bid to a considerable extent upon the recommendation of a committee of experts, composed of Chief Justice Braden of the War Department and representatives of the Commerce, Agriculture and Interior Departments. The final paragraph of the report of this committee of experts reads:

"Such as both bids are satisfactory from the standpoint of national defense, and the Associated Power bids is so much better from the standpoint of performance, financial return to the United States, freedom from complications incident to appropriations, in the opinion of your committee, the power bid is far more advantageous."

Endorsement the power bid would seem to be a position, yet opposition is formidable and favorable action by Congress. It is safe to say that the other proposals for the disposition of the Muscle Shoals will be able to command a majority of both houses. The prospect for legislation on the Muscle Shoals is very promising just now.

CANADIAN JUSTICE

Members of the Crime Commission of the state of California recently visited Canada for the purpose of studying the administration of justice in the Dominion, where it is far less prevalent than in the United States. Discussions with judges, crown attorneys and criminologists brought out the fact that in trials of persons charged with crime there are not so many delays through technicalities and quibbling over technicalities. Prompt punishment for the criminal is credited with a great extent.

Canadian judges and prosecutors are appointed for life and are not subject to the demoralizing influence of political parties vying to hold their positions. They are free to administer justice impartially, without regard to their political fortunes.

In Canada, gang crime is sternly repressed. Four men hanged in connection with a bank robbery at Regina. Life sentences were given men implicated in the robbery. Where guilt is established, the penalty is swift and sure. The sob sisters do not sway nor the Canadian courts.

These facts may account for the greater safety of life across the border, as well as in other countries of the British commonwealth.

AUTOMOBILES AND DESKS

In connection with the crowded condition of school-rooms throughout the country, the California Teachers' Association has made an interesting comparison of automobile and school desk capacity.

A bulletin on the subject recently issued discloses that while California has automobiles enough to seat 5,200,000 persons, it has school seats for only 1,200,000 pupils. There are enough automobiles in the state to carry every child of school age, with a separate car for each child, and still have more than 100,000 cars left over.

The people of California spent last year for gasoline a sum estimated at \$145,353,483, while they spent for all schools, including the state university, \$130,737,912, or nearly \$15,000,000 more for gasoline than for education.

It is probable that a like survey would reveal a similar condition in most of the other states. Without criticising people for enjoying their automobiles, it does seem that they should be willing to spend as much for the education of their children as they spend for gasoline.

WHAT PRICE HONOR

That enormous sums are offered and often accepted as bribes in connection with the illicit liquor traffic is a matter of common knowledge, but a recent statement by a high prohibition official gives some figures that would seem incredible if they did not come from a thoroughly reliable source.

Alroy S. Phillips, who recently resigned as prohibition administrator for Missouri and Kansas to become chairman of the Missouri workmen's compensation commission, declared that offers of bribes during his term had been frequent. Examples cited were \$10,000 for an alcohol withdrawal permit, \$6,000 for another, and an offer of \$15,000 a year for permitting a St. Louis brewery to run one day in a week. All Mr. Phillips was asked to do was to assign his agents to other places on the day that the brewery was to operate.

Asked how much he thought a dishonest prohibition administrator might make, Mr. Phillips replied: "Oh, from \$15,000 to \$20,000 a month."

When such sums are to be had at the price of honor, it is perhaps not strange, human nature being as it is, that a good many men find themselves unable to resist the temptation to double-cross Uncle Sam. Of course, there is no excuse for such treachery, but it is "a condition and not a theory" that confronts the government in its efforts to suppress the illegal liquor traffic.

RESULTS OF FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

In order to ascertain the practical effect of the Fire Prevention Week observance upon fire losses throughout the country, the National Board of Fire Underwriters sent a questionnaire to the fire chiefs of all cities with populations of 30,000 and upwards.

The returns from 279 cities show that during Fire Prevention Week, eighty municipalities, or 28 per cent, suffered no loss whatever, and that during the following week eighty-seven escaped loss by burning, the figures covering all buildings and contents, but not automobile fires occurring in the open. All of the eighty cities, jointly, had an average weekly fire loss in 1925 of \$173,646.

In addition, there were thirty-five cities with losses amounting to not more than \$25, and twenty-two others which reported that no more than \$50 worth of property had succumbed to flames.

These favorable records show the results of the educational campaigns that were staged by the fire chiefs, chambers of commerce, local agents, associations and other bodies.

What would the result be if the same carefulness were exercised the year round?

Why can't we have Fire Prevention Week every week in the year?

MORE JOBS WANTED

We read in the news from Washington that Congressman Hudson of Michigan will urge action upon his bill for the creation of a force to be known as the United States Border Patrol.

We have not at hand any data giving the particular object for which such an organization is intended, but so far as the average taxpayer is concerned, its principal effect will be to make a lot of new government jobs, thus lengthening the federal payroll and increasing taxes.

Already we have quite a sizeable regular army, from which it seems there might be assigned sufficient men to do any necessary patrolling of the border.

But that would not make new jobs—and the making of new federal jobs seems to be the chief aim in life of too many congressmen.

A STRANGE WILL

An unusual will is that of Charles Millar of Toronto, who left \$800,000 worth of brewery shares to Methodist ministers of the Toronto conference, while \$25,000 in shares in a jockey club are bequeathed to two lawyers and Rev. Benjamin Spence of the Prohibition Union, one-third to each.

Should any of the beneficiaries of this peculiar will refuse to accept their bequests, these sums are to remain in the estate. At the end of nine years all property left in the estate is to be sold and the proceeds given to the parents of the largest number of children born in the province of Ontario within the nine years.

Considerable interest has been aroused over whether the will is a joke or a serious statement, and race track money, and, that the parents of

the largest number of children born within nine years will become the heirs under this strange will.

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 EVERYBODY'S prayers should be offered for the confused young people of today who have all the matrimonial inclinations mortals ever had and find themselves discussing promiscuously and in ordinary conversation trial marriage and every phase of sex problems, as unblushingly as we used to discuss the weather.

Novel and stage and motion picture and divorce suit and so-called medical books have left nothing forbidden, no zone of shame to be avoided when youth in their teens talk couple by couple or in groups. Our women working out and dining out, family arrangements have made the old time fireside a myth to most city and town Americans. The family type that gave us the strong men and women of other days is less and less here to function, and in its stead is coming a regime as far from Puritanism as democracy is from despotism.

Redeclaring church laws and clever decisions that get around church laws influence the situation about as much as New York state statutes affect Reno or Paris. Our only hope is healthful public opinion. It is the big task of churches and all who have a heart to help in the most vital crisis the Anglo-Saxon Christian household has thus far faced.

There is no need of despair. The revolution in family life can be met by the personal religious contacts of preachers and teachers and wholesome books and a re-establishment of the household father as a kind of priest and the mother as a kind of priestess.

Despite Use of Slang, Modern Youth Has Able Command of Language

By W. WILBUR HATFIELD, Chicago Educator.

Despite the accusations of their elders that children use too much slang, the average youth of eighteen today uses much better language than did the youth of fifteen or even five years ago.

The courses in formal rhetoric once so popular in the better schools, have been displaced by training in composition, oral as well as written. Because of changed aims and methods of training the average youth of eighteen today uses much better language than did the youth of eighteen, fifteen or even five years ago.

The next step forward is to be the replacement of the present artificial, would-be literary themes, more than half of which are narratives of insignificant personal experiences, with practice in genuine communication in such situations as occur outside the school.

Already progressive teachers in many places are experimenting with these innovations and finding that they are quite practicable. The school graduates ten years hence may be confidently expected to show both more language power and more ability to adapt themselves to the social situations of business and ordinary intercourse.

Religion the Sole Foundation of Moral Standards and Conventions

By BISHOP WILLIAM T. MANNING, Episcopal, New York.

Stronger moral convictions and standards to enhance the moral fiber are necessary in upholding the nation's laws and institutions.

We see so many people today who are morally adrift and without clear standards or convictions. They tell us that these things are nothing but conventions; that there is no moral law which we are bound to obey. That view of life means ruin for the individual and for society. It means that they have lost their hold on religion and on God. It is religion alone that gives us more standards and conventions, and it is the only foundation of character, personal responsibility and citizenship and human life.

It is faith which makes human life great, and that makes it worth while. Doubt and uncertainty give no power to our lives. It is the man who believes great things who accomplishes great things. Faith lives in every human heart and the Christian religion lifts the faith that is in us up to its highest and noblest expression. All history shows that religion and morals stand together or fall together.

Increased Duration of Life Great Factor in Progress Made by World

By PROF. T. WINGATE TODD, Western Reserve University.

Longevity should be regarded as a social benefit as well as increased opportunity for living. The tremendous impetus of discovery and invention during the past century has undoubtedly been due in a large measure to the increased duration of life achieved by medical science.

Consider the magnificent work of Edison, Burbank, and Maxim during the ripe years of life denied to earlier generations. Once the old men of society, those of priceless wisdom and experience, died in the prime of their maturity. Today we have aged fathers and uncles from whom we absorb knowledge acquired through the slow years.

And the quickening conscience of the world in regard to human relations is undoubtedly influenced by the fact that we have so many old mothers still alive, blooming like evening primroses in the evening of life.

The average death age has been increased to fifty-six years, with an attendant advance in the old age "peak" from forty-two to seventy-two years.

Fundamental Essentials of Home Life More Than Food, Clothing and Shelter

By ALICE M. LOOMIS, Illinois Education Specialist.

No greater mistake can be made than the belief that food, clothing and shelter are the fundamental essentials of home life.

They are essentials, but is that all there is to living, to civilization or to racial development? Is that all there is to enjoying life? What we are striving for is to make the home a place for the mental, physical, moral and spiritual development of its members, and also a place from which each can prepare himself to do his full part in the next larger unit of society. This expanding of social interest has no limit, within the needs of the race, but it has a very natural starting point in the home.

The conviction grows that true home education in the school and family circle is a never-ending series of purposeful activities directed toward the advancing goal of the ideal home, and each has a part in the planning.

Ornate Wraps for Dressy Occasions

Velvets Are Much in Vogue and Jeweled Effects Win Favor.

Modistes and their clientele have both expressed the feeling lately that a significant movement forward has been due in the styles of evening wraps, says a fashion correspondent in the New York Times. Gowns have been sensational in design from time to time while wraps have remained mostly so conventional as to have become almost standardized. A wrap-around or a coat of some handsome material with a collar, perhaps cuffs and a border of fur, has been the usual type of wrap that has been worn over an evening gown. The gown itself has become more elaborate in detail, tending more to an ensemble effect, more emphatic in relief because the wrap was of less complex architecture.

The more ornate the gown the simpler the wrap, plain velvet, brocade or metallic cloth covering the most extreme gown of solid pailletted pattern with crystals, jewels, ostrich, fur, gilt and silver. The latest ensembles flashed before the eyes of fashion are daring combinations of gorgeous materials and a wealth of ornamentation of one sort and another.

All of the prophesies of the vogue of velvet are realized in the latest evening wraps, for it is far and away the favorite fabric among designers. There must always be, of course, a variety of styles in material, and there are many this season; but the flattering quality of velvet lures both the designer and the woman who give thought to appearance. The velvet wrap is not, however, the same thing that has been offered before. The character and quality of the material alone are insufficient and are used only as a foundation for beautiful embroidery in silk, metal and chenille, hand painted and a dazzling surface of sequins, beads and jewels. To this is added in some of the latest models fur, ostrich, marabou or fringe in a scheme which impresses one almost as over-elaboration.

When plain velvet, panne or chiffon velvet is used, the wrap is lavishly trimmed with fur, an enormous collar, wide cuffs on the inevitable dolman sleeves and, almost always, a deep band about the bottom. On some of the new wraps this band is shaped to form a very deep border, straight or flaring, the type of the wrap that suggests luxury in every detail as well as the last word in comfort.

Curiously enough, however, the first model shown in the richly embroidered types of evening wrap from a prominent Paris house is not of velvet, but of satin. It is an ivory white in dolman shape, with sleeves cut in a deep line at the intersecting point and tapering toward the hand. Almost the entire surface of the back, the front and the greater part of the sleeves is covered with a graceful pattern, rather medieval in feeling and done in fine gilt and silver thread. Points and motifs in the design are



White Fox Used to Trim Dolman in New Castilian Red.

made of brilliants as centers, combined with crystal beads, giving an effect of crystalline loveliness that is difficult to visualize. A collar and cuffs of white fox finish this wrap, which will be worn by a fashionable bride, not with her wedding dress, but with an elaborate evening gown of georgette and polished silver spangles. This wrap is lined with velvet, as many of the evening wraps are, in a faint shade of rose.

These delightful wraps are voluminous and graceful, in dazzling white with linings of velvets in delicate shades of blue, rose, yellow, the orchids, of which there are many subtle degrees, and green. A superlative wrap of white chiffon velvet is embroidered as a deep border with sequins in opalescent tints, very lush and pulsing with color, and a wide band of crystal beads interspersed with pearls.

This, with all its richness of design, is lined with white velvet and has a deep collar and cuffs of snowy fox.

Another wrap of distinction has much the suggestion of moonlight—cold, silvery and elusive. It is made with silver in a conventionalized fleur-de-lis pattern picked out with crystal and steely silver spangles. White fox is used for the collar, and a silver, lame, shot with palest blue, for the lining.

Something as delicate, subtle and lovely as has ever been shown is the new brocade chiffon, light as thistle-down and clinging in quality like a cobweb, and the pattern of downy velvet is in relief. This is a fabric of distinct elegance, particularly in white and in black, but a large card of charming colors, delicate in shades, is shown for evening wear. Wraps made of brocade chiffon velvet are lined with a plain color in velvet or satin, some with lame, which is now shown with any of the new evening shades and of a very soft texture. One of orchid and silver velvet is a pattern of the flower with large, graceful leaves.



Evening Wrap in Rich Brocade of Gold and Diadem.

is lined with silver lame showing a background on silver and has a large collar of chinchilla, which is considered very smart this season.

A detail of some of these wraps of lame and all of the metal brocades is the touch of silver or gold in a long tassel with which the sleeve is finished, or which is attached at a corner of the material in a model having a cape effect formed of a square cleverly shaped to make a sleeve. Ornaments to serve as fastenings are made of gold or silver cord and of beads.

Fur is important in evening wraps and many varieties are shown. Fox is, of course, much in demand, especially white fox and the lighter colors. The intense shades introduced two seasons ago are little used except on the wraps that are designed for the southern resorts. Sable, mink, chinchilla are all good, and several novelty furs are shown, though few of these are fine enough to combine with handsome fabrics. Because of the number of new colors in the velvets and metal brocades some of the new evening wraps have the roll collar of the material.

In plain fabrics the collar is shirred and heavily padded, the most fashionable shape being very large and round. Ostrich is used with dainty effect on some of the wraps of chiffon brocade, and on satin wraps that are elaborately embroidered or beaded. A lovely evening dolman cape of chiffon velvet in the new shade of orchid called diadem is trimmed with ostrich, which forms a boa collar and borders the front and bottom edges of the garment in the most ethereal way.

Color is important.

Color enters into the latest mode in a manner so significant that trimming and the entire scheme of ensemble is a problem which requires study and the exercise of discretion. Old dyes have been treated by experts to produce new phases with many delightful results, with new and entertaining names to designate them. There is a rare shade of turquoise and an old goblin blue. That soft shade that became popular under the name of bois de rose is now called meadow pink. A velvet in mellow gray is known as gull, and a flaming contrast is castilian red. Golden poppy is a vivid orange, and athenia is the old-fashioned ashes of roses.

A chiffon velvet wrap in the new yellow known as popcorn, lined with satin in the same shade with wide upstanding collar and cuffs of kolinsky is a delightful illustration of the possibilities in ensembles and combinations with the new colors. Cameo pink and silver chiffon velvet brocade in combination have a voluminous collar of chinchilla fur and lining of silver lame shot with pink. There are in the fine fabrics artistic colorings that will be shown to advantage also in the new wraps of ostrich and silver velvet.

The President's pet at L. A. lighting

CALIFORNIA NEWS BRIEFS

People from all parts of Amador county have been drawn to the Amador County Chamber of Commerce at Jackson to view the display of the early-day bonnets. These hats were presented to Secretary Harold Tallon by James Grillo of Volcano and are part of the stock of a few remaining hats which the Grillo brothers have had in their possession ever since the purchase of the stock from the Clute family, whose members conducted the store in the early pioneer days. The Grillo brothers discovered a crate in a remote corner of the basement and upon investigating found it contained a large assortment of hats, no doubt, many of which were worn by the belles of the '50s of that quaint and historic mining camp, now almost deserted. The hats bear the mark "Made in Paris." To many of the pioneers of the county the gold rush days of Volcano are being brought vividly back to their memories by the sight of the hats. Volcano, which is now practically a ghost town, was in those early days a mining camp teeming with life and one which aided in producing early California history.

Chased by a railroad! That seems to be the predicament of Jacob Piosi, assistant yardmaster in the Roseville freight yards. Piosi worked as a switchman for thirteen years. In 1914 he was made general yardmaster of the Roseville yards, and he held the job for six years, when he decided to take an assistant foremanship. When Piosi came to build himself a home, about ten years ago, he decided he had enough of switch engine exhausts to do him a life time, so he built his house south of Roseville where there were only the soft whisperings of the wind, where the all night chug! chug! of switch engines would not disturb his rest. About ten months ago the Pacific Fruit Express decided they needed new car repair yards, and that the proper place to build them was south of their present yards—which happens to be just at Jacob's doorstep.

Chico's record for scholarship stands above the average, according to the report on the scholarship ratings of collegiate institutions, as determined by the record of transfers issued by the University of California. The institutions ranked were colleges, junior colleges and universities. Chico's score stood at 80 for ten students, four boys and six girls, being first in its group, excelled only by an institution which entered only two students and another entering five. The normal record for the group is 66.6 compared with Chico's 80.

Citizens of Sacramento received a \$400,000 "Christmas gift" from the Southern Pacific company to be paid in five monthly installments, it became known recently when construction of 650 stock and flat cars was started at the Sacramento Southern Pacific company shops. The work, occasioned chiefly by an increase in livestock and other shipping throughout the west, will provide employment for approximately 800 men who otherwise would have been laid off with the present decrease in freight shipments.

Citing a slight decrease in California infant mortality rates generally during the last two years, the state board of health voiced special praise of the situation in the San Francisco bay district, as follows: San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley and other cities continue to have remarkably low infant mortality rates. In proportion to population, some of these cities rank with those of the Pacific northwestern states in maintaining the lowest infant mortality rates of any municipalities in the country.

Poisson has been placed in the Los Gatos and White Creek districts, Fresno county, by two state agricultural service men in an attempt to eradicate the coyotes which have been playing havoc with poultry and newborn stock. The men were brought to Coalinga through the efforts of the chamber of commerce which recently filed a petition with the state department.

Declaring that the time for filing applications for the New York state bonus for former service men expires on December 31, this year, Adjutant General R. E. Mittelstaedt has issued a call in behalf of New York state authorities to all World War veterans from that state now in California asking them to communicate immediately with the Soldiers' Bonus bureau at Albany, N. Y.

Checks aggregating approximately \$105,000 will be placed in the mail for creditors of the former Sun-Maid Raisin Growers' association, now in bankruptcy, by Milo L. Rowell, trustee in bankruptcy, marking the payment of a 2 1/2 per cent creditors' dividend, which was ordered by Clyde Thompson, referee in bankruptcy, upon a report and accounting by Rowell.

Heavy receipts of oil are reported at Redlands. Most of it is being delivered to the orange growers of the district. About 5000 acres of oranges are equipped with heaters, and for the 300,000 heaters about 700,000 gallons of oil is required for one filling. About 1,500,000 gallons of oil has been placed in the tanks here, ready in case of a cold snap.

The Klink Citrus association of Ivanhoe has made shipments of oranges to England, Scotland, China, Japan, Australia and Hawaii this season, in addition to domestic shipments.

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